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Applicants

K. FUJIMOTO et al.

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PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF FORMATE ESTERS OR

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition for a one (1) month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed on August 13, 2003 for which a three (3) month response period expiring on November 13, 2003 was set. The extended period expires effectively on December 15, 2003.

Please charge the extension fee of One Hundred Ten Dollars (\$110.00) for a one (1) month extension of time to Deposit Account 11-0600. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account 11-0600. A copy of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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Respectfully submitted,

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